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SUBJECT: FRENCH ECONOMIC EXPANSION PROGRAM: THE CHIRAC
LETTER

REF: PARIS 27093

EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH GOF RE CHIRAC'S BAN ON
GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT OF IMPORTED GOODS AT HIGH ENOUGH
LEVEL TO IMPRESS UPON THEM THAT OUR REACTION IS NOT JUST
A PRO FORMA RESPONSE TO A TRADE COMPLAINT, BUT REFLECTS
THE REAL CONCERN OF THE USG OVER THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS
TRADE RESTRICTION FOR BOTH MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL TRADE
RELATIONS. WE NOTE THAT THE CHIRAC PLAN IS IN CLEAR
CONTRADICTION TO THE GOF VIEW VOICED IN THE OECD WP ON
GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT, WHERE FRENCH HAVE INDICATED STRONG
INTEREST IN SUCCESSFULNEGOTIATION OF A PROCUREMENT CODE.
THIS ACTION ALSO RUNS CONTRARY TO THE OECD TRADE PLEDGE.
AS GOF MUST BE AWARE, THE ABILITY OF OTHER COUNTRIES TO
RESIST PROTECTIONIST PRESSURES DEPENDS LARGELY ON ALL
MAJOR TRADING COUNTRIES AVOIDING TRADE RESTRICTIVE
MEASURES. KISSINGER

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